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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kazumasa OHSUMI

Serial No. 09/452,162

Group Art Unit: 2871

Confirmation No. 9955

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Examiner: David Y. Chung

GUIDE PLATE, SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE AND For:

LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the December 19, 2002, Office Action, having a March 19, 2003 due date, reconsideration is respectfully requested based on the following amendments and remarks.

A Petition for a three month extension of time until June 19, 2003 is filed concurrently herewith.

I. AMENDMENTS

A. In the Written Description

Please amend the Written Description as follows:

[0076] The height of reach ridge 13E is preferably about 20 μm, and the ratio of h to width (actual width) WD falls preferably within a range from 0.5 to 1.0. It is noted that indication of W in Fig. 2 is "effective width".

[00116] Illumination light is introduced into the guide plate 33 in the form of a beam flux having some angular event. The guide plate 33 may be made of the same material as that of the guide plate 13 employed in the first or second embodiment. Injection molding may be applied for manufacturing.

Attached is a "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made" including the changes to

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